

# House File 32 - Introduced

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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to health data collected and used by the  
2 department of public health.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 135.166, Code 2017, is amended to read  
2 as follows:

3 **135.166 Health care data — collection and use — collection**  
4 **from hospitals.**

5 1. a. The department of public health shall enter into  
6 a memorandum of understanding to utilize the Iowa hospital  
7 association to act as the department's intermediary in  
8 collecting, maintaining, and disseminating hospital inpatient,  
9 outpatient, and ambulatory information data, as initially  
10 authorized in 1996 Iowa Acts, ch. 1212, §5, subsection 1,  
11 paragraph "a", subparagraph (4), and 641 IAC 177.3.

12 ~~2.~~ b. The memorandum of understanding shall include but  
13 is not limited to provisions that address the duties of the  
14 department and the Iowa hospital association regarding the  
15 collection, reporting, disclosure, storage, and confidentiality  
16 of the data.

17 2. Unless otherwise authorized or required by state  
18 or federal law, data collected under this section shall  
19 not include personally identifiable information about the  
20 individual subject of the data, including but not limited to  
21 the individual's name, date of birth, and social security  
22 number. For the purposes of this subsection, "personally  
23 identifiable information" means any item, collection, or  
24 grouping of data which allows the individual subject of the  
25 data to be identified.

26 EXPLANATION

27 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
28 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

29 This bill relates to health data collected and used by the  
30 department of public health.

31 The bill amends Code section 135.166 to provide that unless  
32 otherwise authorized by state or federal law, data collected  
33 under Code section 135.166 shall not include personally  
34 identifiable information about the individual subject of the  
35 data, including but not limited to the individual's name,

1 date of birth, and social security number. The bill defines  
2 "personally identifiable information" as any item, collection,  
3 or grouping of data which allows the individual subject of the  
4 data to be identified.